## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA BEFORE THE FLORIDA JUDICIAL QUALIFICATIONS COMMISSION

SC13-1333

INQUIRY CONCERNING A JUDGE No. 12-613

LAURA M. WATSON

## JUDGE WATSON'S MOTION TO ACCEPT AMENDED PRINCIPAL BRIEF CORRECTING SCRIVENER ERROR

Appellant, the Honorable Laura M. Watson, by and through undersigned counsel, and pursuant to AOSC13-7(12) and this Court's order dated January 22, 2015, files this Motion to Accept Amended Principal Brief Correcting Scrivener Error Where the Embedded Fonts Were Corrupted in the Process Exporting to PDF, and in support thereof states as follows:

- 1. On June 23, 2014, Judge Watson timely filed her Principal Brief in Opposition to the Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendations of the Hearing Panel, Judicial Qualifications Commission. When the brief was reviewed on line, the document was difficult to read and appeared to have been corrupted in the exporting of the document to PDF.
- 2. Because of the scrivener's error that occurred wherein the fonts were corrupted in the initially filing, Judge Watson filed an Amended Principal Brief on June 25, 2014. At this time, both appear to be legible.

3. In an abundance of caution, and pursuant to AOSC13-7(12) and this Court's order dated January 22, 2015, Judge Watson files this motion requesting that the Court accept the amended filing because of the mistake in the corruption of the initial brief.

**WHEREFORE** the Appellant requests that the Court accept the amended filing as being filed in time.

Respectfully submitted,

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